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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Oswald et al.

Application No.: 09/552,576

Group Art Unit: 1724

Filed: April 19, 2000

Examiner: Mr. Barry

For:

Method and Apparatus to
Establish and Optimize
Sedimentation and Methane
Fermentation in Primary
Wastewater Ponds

Attorney Docket No.: 9840-0041-999

Date: October 30, 2001

Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to Office Action dated October 2, 2001. The response is due November 2, 2001. Please amend the present application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 17 without prejudice.

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